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HOWARD COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF POLICE OFFICE OF PUBLIC AFFAIRS

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Police vehicle struck in Waterloo Road collision

The Traffic Enforcement Section is investigating a motor vehicle collision involving a Howard County Police Officer. The collision occurred on Saturday, July 26 at approximately 11:56 p. m. A marked police cruiser was traveling north bound in the 5600 block of Waterloo Road. A 2004 Ford Expedition was traveling south bound and crossed over the center line, side swiping the police vehicle. The Ford Expedition then left the roadway and overturned.

The police cruiser was operated by PO Sara Dorsey, a 3-year veteran of the Howard County Police Department. Officer Dorsey was transported to Howard County General Hospital with non-life threatening injuries.

The driver of the Ford Expedition was identified as 35-year-old Johnnie Morris Williams, Sr. of the 300 block of Washburn Avenue in Baltimore. A passenger was identified as 37-year-old Jaime Janelle Shaffer of the 8700 block of Hayshed Lane in Columbia. Three juveniles, ranging in age from seven to seventeen, were also in the vehicle. All occupants of the Expedition were transported to the Maryland Shock Trauma Center with non-life threatening injuries.

Waterloo Road between Montgomery Run Road and Goldfinch Court was closed for approximately two hours.

The investigation is on-going.

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